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Ms. Bridget Bean Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Grant Programs Directorate U.S. Department of Homeland Security / FEMA 400 C Street S.W., 3N Washington, D.C. 20472-3635

Re: EMW-2019-FG-01104

Dear Ms. Bean,

I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the FY19 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) application submitted by Waynesboro Fire Department.

The Waynesboro Fire Department is a municipal funded fire department located in the Borough of Waynesboro, Franklin County. The Fire Department is comprised of 41 active firefighters who perform firefighting duties and serve a first-due response area consisting of over 25,000 permanent residents and provides service to a number of critical infrastructure facilities in the community.

It is my understanding that the Waynesboro Fire Department is seeking approximately \$47,160 for costs associated with the purchase of a source capture exhaust system for the Department's Potomac Street Fire Station. This system will greatly enhance the station's functionality and remove any questions and concerns about unsafe diesel exhaust exposure. The station does not currently have a source capture exhaust system and any of the firefighters that work at the station are exposed to harmful exhaust each day.

I respectfully ask that you give Waynesboro Fire Department's application all due consideration, and I thank you for your attention to this request. Please direct your acknowledgement to my Grants Coordinator, Alex Byrne, via email at Alexandra_Byrne@toomey.senate.gov.

Pat Toomey U.S. Senator